

# Village of Savoy

# Robert C. McCleary Municipal Center 611 North Dunlap Avenue

**Savoy, IL 61874** 

# MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

DATE: October 16, 2019 PLACE: Robert C. McCleary Municipal Center

611 North Dunlap Ave. Savoy, IL 61874

TRUSTEES PRESENT: President Joan Dykstra, Trustees John Brown, Heather J. Mangian,

Jan Carter Niccum, Dee Shonkwiler, A.J. Ruggieri, and Bill Vavrik

TRUSTEES ABSENT: None

**OFFICERS AND** 

PERSONNEL PRESENT: Richard Helton, Village Manager

Levi Kopmann, Assistant Village Manager, Public Works/Engineer

Dennis Donaldson, Village Treasurer

Lon Pitcher, Acting Fire Chief, Savoy Fire Department Brandon Martin, Director of Savoy Recreation Center

Billie Jean Krueger, Village Clerk

**OFFICERS AND** 

PERSONNEL ABSENT:

GUESTS: Jayne Deluce, CEO, Visit Champaign County

Sean Widener, Clark-Dietz Engineering Ben Mertens, 501 Cushing Dr., Savoy, IL

CONVENED: 7:00 P.M. ADJOURNED: 8:00 P.M.

## L. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL TAKEN, QUORUM DECLARATION

President Dykstra called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with roll call taken of President Dykstra and all Trustees, with President Dykstra and all Trustees answering present and a quorum declared.

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Dykstra led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

#### 3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

President Dykstra asked if there was any public participation.

Public Participation as follows:

Ben Mertens, 501 Cushing Dr., Savoy, IL – Stated he supported a dispensary in Savoy, mostly for revenue and was against the prohibition of sales of recreational marijuana in the Village of Savoy.

#### 4. OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

President Dykstra asked if there were other agenda items to be added. No other agenda items were added

#### 5. BUSINESS

#### A. VISIT CHAMPAIGN COUNTY - PRESENTATION BY JAYNE DELUCE, CEO

Jayne Deluce, President and CEO of Visit Champaign County gave a presentation on the "Building Quality of Place" 2018-2019 Annual Report of Visit Champaign County. She passed out a Greater Champaign County Area Visitors Guide 2019-2020 of local events & festivals, local flavors, arts & culture, family adventures, and outdoor activities, and the 2018-2019 Annual Report. Deluce highlighted the following "Building A Sense of Place":

- Social Media Promotion
- Local Business Promotion, mentioning Industrial Donut in Savoy
- Human Festival being planned by the Savoy Business Co-op Group
- Destination 2023
- Tourism Funding
- Community Partners
- Facility Development The Yards, Downtown Champaign Plaza, Martens Center and Kickapoo Rail Trail
- Willard Airport
- IHSA State Basketball 3-year bid for 2021-2023 bid has to be in by December 2019 that would create an estimated \$4.8 million in community impact. Deluce thanked Trustee Niccum for his input on this important bid.
- Visit Champaign County Team, Board of Directors and Foundation Board. Deluce thanked Dick Helton for his long and continued tenure on the Board of Directors

#### **B. COLBERT PATH BID APPROVAL**

Trustee Vavrik make a motion to award the Colbert Park Pathway bid to Cross Construction in the amount of \$443,694.25, as presented, seconded by Trustee Brown; Discussion:

Sean Widener, Clark Dietz Engineers, stated that the apparent low bidder was Cross Construction with the bid being \$443,694.25 for construction of the Colbert Park Pathway with six bids being received and Cross being 23% lower than any other bid. Widener stated that the project will start on or before 10-28-19, taking approximately six weeks to complete, and with a completion date of 12-13-19. He also stated the landscaping would not be completed by that date, and the Savoy Public Works Dept. will judge a week or week and half after completion when it can be walked on.

**By Trustee Vote:** 

Ayes: Brown, Mangian, Ruggieri, Shonkwiler, and Vavrik

Nays: Niccum Absent: None Motion carried.

#### C. IML CONFERENCE REPORTS

Trustees Jan Niccum, Bill Vavrik, Dee Shonkwiler, Heather Mangian, A.J. Ruggieri, Treasurer Dennis Donaldson, and President Dykstra gave their reports for their attendance at the IML Conference in Chicago on 9-19 thru 9-21-19.

#### 6. STAFF REPORTS

#### A. SAVOY VILLAGE TREASURER

President Dykstra and the Trustees reviewed the Treasurer's Check Register – Schedule of Accounts Payable for checks issued from 9/01/19 through 9/30/19.

Trustee Shonkwiler moved to approve and pay the Schedule of Accounts Payable for the month ending September 30, 2019, as presented, seconded by Trustee Brown; By Trustee Vote:

Ayes: Brown, Mangian, Niccum, Ruggieri, Shonkwiler, and Vavrik

Nays: None Absent: None

#### B. SAVOY FIRE DEPARTMENT

President Dykstra and the Trustees reviewed the Savoy Fire Department Activity Report and Fire Incident Summary for the period 9/01/19 through 9/30/19 presented by Acting Fire Chief Lon Pitcher.

Acting Fire Chief Pitcher presented the Monthly Alarm Response Summary September 1-September 30, 2019 showing a total of 44 alarm responses.

Pitcher also mentioned the success of the "Open House" at the Fire Station attended by approximately 200 and the Public Education Week where the Fire Department entertained approximately 400 kids and 50 adults.

Pitcher stated that Engine 145 Ladder Truck had to be sent to Indiana for repairs.

Also, Pitcher said that he had been working on the ISO report and was 50% done and that some station duties had been changed around.

Also, Chief Pitcher showed the three Apple IPADS purchased with money donated by an Illinois American Water grant to the SFD and how useful they are going to be, even when placed in the fire trucks.

Pitcher stated he had received several thank you notes from Savoy residents and had even received a \$50 contribution for helping a resident with smoke detectors, and also at Parkview, a resident had burned rolls on her stove and the SFD had even cleaned her stove for the resident giving good customer service. Also, some of the young firefighters had been trying to learn from older experienced firefighters and he believed the SFD was going in the right direction.

#### C. SAVOY RECREATION CENTER

President Dykstra and the Trustees reviewed the Savoy Recreation Center Report for the month of September, 2019, presented by Brandon Martin, Director of the Savoy Recreation Center.

Martin highlighted some of the fall special programs and special events such as the 3 Mile Donut Run held on September 28 that collected \$500 for St. Jude Hospital, the Quilt Show on October 4-6 was a great turnout and a meeting is being setup to book future Quilt Show events, the Trick or Treat Street event on October 28 that is usually attended by approximately 400, and Craft Art Show to be held November 9 & 10.

#### 7. BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMUNICATIONS

President Dykstra reminded everyone of the upcoming Board of Trustees of November 6, 2019 at the Savoy Recreation Center that will be a combined meeting of the Trustees, Plan Commission, Economic Development Commission, and Zoning Board of Appeals to discuss the update to the Savoy Comprehensive Plan.

### 8. CORRESPONDENCE, THANK YOUS - None

#### 9. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees meeting, President Dykstra adjourned the open and public Board of Trustees meeting at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Billie Jean Krueger Savoy Village Clerk

#### This meeting was recorded.

Approved this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019

Billie Jean Krueger